

Job Title:	Firefighter II
Job Description Number:	1005
Department/Division:	Fire/Suppression
Exemption Status:	Non-Exempt
Pay Grade:	F2
Immediate Supervisor:	Fire Lieutenant
Normal Work Schedule:	24 hour shifts on a 3-day rotation

Brief Description of the Job:

Under direct supervision while operating in a team environment respond and assist in a variety of emergency and non-emergency situations including structure, automobile, wild land fires, and medical emergencies. Perform routine residential and commercial inspections and pre-fire planning. Perform emergency equipment maintenance. Responsible for various other duties as assigned by supervisor.

Essential Functions:

Firefighting duties (80%): Maintain a constant readiness to respond to all fire and medical emergency situations through preparedness training (physical, education, equipment maintenance, etc.). Perform emergency duties while operating within the Fire Department Incident Command System. Under supervision, perform activities necessary to insure life safety, fire control, and property conservation including, but not limited to:

- Fire attack and extinguishment
- Protection of evidence of fire cause
- Extricating victims from vehicles
- Providing basic life support
- Assisting Technical Rescue Teams
- Assisting Hazardous Materials Incident Response Teams
- Conducting routine inspections (Housing, Commercial Maintenance, Fire Prevention, Hydrants)
- Inspection and maintenance of equipment, appliances, and hose
- Assist with Public Fire Safety Education programs
- Participate in training programs as needed or required by Fire Department policy.

Station Maintenance (20%): Performs routine station maintenance duties including sweeping, mopping, cutting grass, laundry and various other duties.

Other duties and responsibilities as assigned.

Physical Demands

Overall Strength Demands: Heavy strength demands include exerting 50-100 pounds occasionally, 25-50 pounds frequently, or from 10 up to 20 pounds constantly.

Physical Demands: Continuously requires standing, sitting, walking, carrying, lifting, reaching, pulling/pushing, kneeling, crouching, crawling, bending, twisting, climbing, balancing, handling, fine dexterity, vision, hearing, talking, and foot controls.

Machines, Tools, Equipment, and Work Aids: Hoses, nozzles, ladders, technical rescue equipment, station maintenance equipment, MSA fill station, mobile cascade, vent saw, jaws of life, pumper, quint, mobile operation center, fire safety house, flat bottom boat, first responder medical equipment, Ajax tool, smoke ejector, ax, pike poles, halogen tool, cadre of ropes, fire extinguishers, and hand tools.

Computer Equipment and Software: Computer.

Working Conditions

Overall Working Conditions: Disagreeable: Frequent exposure to unpleasant environmental conditions and/or hazards.

Environmental Factors: Weekly exposure to extreme temperature, wetness and/or humidity, respiratory hazards, noise and vibration, and physical hazards.

Health and Safety: Frequent exposure to mechanical hazards, chemical hazards, electrical hazards, fire hazards, explosives, communicable diseases, and physical danger or abuse.

Primary Work Location: Indoors/Outdoors.

Protective Equipment Required: SCBA, turn out gear (coat, pants, boots), gloves, helmet, safety glasses, flash hood, steel-toed shoes, MSA air mask, and hearing protection.

Non-Physical Demands

Frequently requires time pressures, emergency situations, frequent change of tasks, irregular schedule/overtime, performing multiple tasks simultaneously, working closely with others as part of a team, tedious or exacting work, and noisy/distracting environment.

Job Requirements

Formal Education: High school diploma plus six months to one year of advanced study or training in firefighting and basic life support is required.

Experience: No experience required.

Driver's License Required: Class D South Carolina license.

Certifications and Other Requirements: IFSAC, or Pro Board Fire Fighter II Certification, National Registry Emergency Medical Technician credentials or State of South Carolina Licensure as an Emergency Medical Technician.

Job Demands

Reading: Intermediate Level: Ability to read papers, periodicals, journals, manuals, policies, dictionaries, thesauruses, and encyclopedias.

Math: Intermediate Level: Ability to deal with a system of real numbers; and practical application of fractions, percentages, ratios/proportions and measurement.

Writing: Intermediate Level: Ability to write reports, prepare business letters, summaries, meeting minutes, and emails using proper format, punctuation, spelling, and grammar, using all parts of speech.

Human Collaboration Skills: Work requires regular and routine interaction involving exchange and receipt of information. Work has a high impact on the organization. External contacts include general public and other emergency response agencies. Internal contacts include all City departments.

Management and Supervision: Job has no responsibility for the direction or supervision of others.

Technical Skill: Basic skill: Work requires the use of standard technical skills appropriate to the work environment of the organization. Standard application: Work product primarily affects unit processes.

Freedom to Act and Impact of Action

Receives Direction: The employee normally performs the duty assignment after receiving general instructions as to methods, procedures, and desired end results. There is some opportunity for discretion when making selections among a few, easily identifiable choices. The assignment is usually reviewed upon completion. **Significant impact of action:** Considerable benefits or costs in time, money, or public/employee relations.

Disclaimer

The above information on this description has been designed to indicate the general nature and level of work performed by employees within this classification. It is not designed to contain or be interpreted as a comprehensive inventory of all duties, responsibilities, and qualifications required of employees assigned to this job.